



Inventor Application of:

TETSUNOBU KOCHI

Application No.: 09/161,294

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For: PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERSION APPARATUS  
WHICH AVOIDS CERTAIN SHADING EFFECTS

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Docket No. 03500.012980.

Examiner: Ngoc Yen T. Vu

Group Art Unit: 2612

Date: October 13, 2004

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 5	MINUS	** 20	= 0	x \$9 \$18	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 1	MINUS	*** 4	= 0	x \$44 \$88	\$0.00
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$150°/\$300						\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						\$0.00

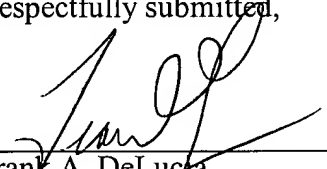
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- ☐ Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the fee for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to continued examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) being filed herewith, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the following Remarks. The claim listing begins at page 2. The Remarks begin at page 5.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on

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Signature

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Date of Signature